Lawful for owners to catch fish. 172. It shall be lawful for any owners of land bordering on the waters of the Elk, Bohemia, Sassafras and Susquehanna rivers and their tributaries, and North East river from Turkey point to the head of said river, or such parts of said river as may be within the limits of Cecil county, or for any one to whom said owners may extend the privilege to take or catch fish from nets or traps known as pound nets, either partly above or entirely beneath the water of said rivers, from the first day of August to the tenth day of June next ensuing of each year; provided, however, that such pound net shall not extend across any channel, or shall be so placed as to in anywise obstruct the passage of any vessel or boat engaged in trading in said waters; nor shall any seine or net be used in that portion that confines the fish, the meshes of which are less than one and one-quarter of an inch square when knit.

Effective

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 9, 1898.

## CHAPTER 435.

AN ACT to prohibit the taking of fish in the waters of Susquehanna and Tide Water canal, between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge at Havre de Grace and Lapidum in Harford County, also in waters of Susquehanna river between said points, at less distance than one hundred yards from tow path of said canal, except by rod, hook and line.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall not be lawful for any person to fish with gill nets, hauling seines, or set nets of any kind or description, in the waters of Susquehanna and Tide Water canal between the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge at Havre de Grace, and Lapidum in Harford county.

Fishing with gill nets, etc., regulated.

SEC. 2. Any person violating the preceding section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not less than ten Guilty of mis-dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each and every violation, one-half of which fine shall go to the informer, and the balance to the Board of School Commissioners of Harford county.

Effective.

SEC. 3. Be it enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 9, 1898.